

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : STAEHLER et al  
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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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May 17, 2007

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including a marked and clean copy of the substitute specification is attached following page 9 of this paper.